result in additional costs/loss of revenue of approximately Rs. 200/- crores during the current financial year. The airlines has taken steps to rationalize its route structure and to effect economy in expenditure.

Installation of Bio-gas plants

132. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are taking steps to promote installation of family size bio-gas plants;

(b) the number of bio-gas plants set up in different States by the end of the Seventh Plan ; and

(c) in what ways rural people are being assisted to set up bio-gas plants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI BABANRAO DHAKNE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) About 12.38 lakh family size biogas plants have been set up in different States and Unirn Territories during the period 1981-82 to 1989-90 under the National Project for Biogas Development.

(c) With a view to assisting rural people to set up family size biogas plants, the National Project for Biogas Development provides for a number of financial and other incentives including subsidies, turn-key job fee, repair and maintenance charges and technical and training support.

Shortage of Diesel in Madhya Pradesh

133. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhya Pradesh Government has asked for more diesel in view of the unprecedented shortage of diesel in that State due to the Gulf War; and

(b) if so what are the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) and (b) There has been no unprecedented shortage of diesel in Madhya Pradesh due to the Gulf War. Requests have been received from Madhya Pradesh Government from time to time for additional release of diesel to the State. A special release of 9000 MT HSD was made for Madhya Pradesh in November, 1990. A special release of 1600 MT HSD has also been made for Madhya Pradesh in February, 1991 over and above the normal entitlement, exclusively for the agriculture sector.

Lifting of Indigenous Penicillin G/V

134. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry allowed advance imports of Penicillin G/V in favour of certain producers of 6-APA/7-ADCA during the last two years with the condition that they are to lift indigenous materials;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a number of units did not lift the indigenous material and made huge unintended benefit;

(c) what was the average landed cost per unit of Penicillin G/V during the last two years and what was the price of indigenous material; and

(d) what steps have been taken to recover the unintended benefit made by these companies?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) During the year 1989-90, some units were allowed advance imports with the condition to lift indigenous material in the ratio of 70 (imported): 30 indigenous).